

that their changed circumstances no longer can support and yet they can't get the court to recognize it. Places where they've lost a job, their incomes gone down, but the child support doesn't and instead of \$2,000 a month, they now have \$1,100 of disposable income and the child support now is really blood from a turnip, you can't get there from here, they're going to be behind. Here's my question, is an administrative model, like the one you've given us, sufficiently discretionary, that it can distinguish between those three situations or will it treat them all alike? And if it does treat them all alike, I'll tell you what it makes me think. It makes me think that perhaps Senator Witek's argument that this should be a power that a judge should exercise when a case is given to it, and an act of discretion is a better approach, is there a sufficient amount of discretion to distinguish between deserving cases and undeserving cases, or will we have one response, and that is fall three months behind and your drivers' license is gone. Frankly, I think that a certain amount of discretion is necessary in the process to distinguish between different kinds of rationales as to why child support isn't being paid, and that's why I want to ask about the bureaucratic response to see what discretion that bureaucracy would have, because if it doesn't have much discretion, then frankly, perhaps a judge would be a better place for it. I will surrender the rest of my time. I don't know if Chris is in the next order of business, I just raise that as a question, someplace in the discussion I'd like that attended to.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Beutler, you have a little less than two minutes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Landis, let me start in on it and see if I'm responding to your question. But I think that the system that's being envisioned allows for a great deal of discretion and for, and for distinguishing between those three different groups that you described. As you know, the prior system, when we started in on all this effort to get child support paid, relied on judges alone. And it was a system that the judges really didn't want to be a part of, I think is an honest way to say it. They didn't like these kinds of continual bickering and domestic cases. And so we moved, tried to move administratively over to the administrative...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.